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SUBJECT: HAFEZ ISMAIL VISIT TO FRANCE AND SPAIN

1. FRENCH EMBOFF HAS TOLD US THAT ON MAY 2 PRESIDENTIAL ADVISOR HAFEZ ISMAIL PROPOSED THAT EITHER MAY 16 OR MAY 21 AS DATES TO BEGIN VISIT TO PARIS. ISMAIL REQUESTED FRENCH CONCURRENCE TO ONE OF THESE DATES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN VIEW OF FACT THAT HE WAS IN PROCESS OF PLANNING ONWARD TRAVEL TO MADRID. EMBOFF STATED THAT ISMAIL'S PARIS TRIP PROBABLY WOULD NOT LAST MORE THAN TWO OR THREE DAYS.

2. REGARDING SUBSTANCE OF ISMAIL VISIT, EMBOFF SAID THAT ISMAIL WOULD NOT GET FAR IN PARIS IF HE PURSUED LINE THAT EGYPT HAD NO WAY OUT OF IMPASSE BUT WARFARE. REFERRING TO RECENT EGYPTIAN ATTEMPTS TO GIVE CREDIBILITY TO POSSIBILITY OF A MILITARY OPTION, EMBOFF STATED THAT FRENCH EMBASSY IN CAIRO DID NOT BELIEVE SADAT'S WORDS TO BE MORE THAN RHETORIC, AND HE THOUGHT GOF FELT THE SAME WAY.
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